

Get ready in 3 Easy Steps!

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When to Use **311** & **911**

Use **911** for emergencies only!

- For immediate danger, if you see or smell smoke, see a fire, or witness a crime in progress
- For serious injury or a medical emergency.

It's against the law to call **911** unless you have an emergency.

Do NOT dial **911** for information or to report a power outage.

Use **311** for information or non-emergency reporting, such as:

- Public transit information
- County public pools hours
- Volunteer activities in your neighborhood
- Learning how to care for pets during a disaster
- Health and counseling services for family members.





311 Live Operators are available Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM.



Learn More!

Have an adult visit the sites below for more information on disaster preparedness!

MONTGOMERY COUNTY	
Montgomery County, MD	www.montgomerycountymd.gov/OEMHS
Police Department	www.mymcpnews.com
Fire Department	www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/FireRescue
County Health and Human Services	www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhs
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES	
American Red Cross	www.redcross.org
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	www.cdc.gov
Disaster Help	www.disasterhelp.gov
Federal Emergency Management Agency	www.fema.gov
U.S. Department of Homeland Security	www.ready.gov
Humane Society of the United States (for Pet Preparedness)	www.hsus.org/disaster

Montgomery County OnDemand		
	Subscribe to receive Montgomery County Public Information Office reports	www.twitter.com/@MontgomeryCoMD
	Keywords: Montgomery County Government	http://www.facebook.com/pages/Montgomery-County-MD-Office-of-Emergency-Management-Homeland-Security
	Video by Montgomery County Government	http://www.youtube.com/user/montgomerycountymd
	Alert!Montgomery - Register to receive emergency alerts	https://alert.montgomerycountymd.gov

For more information on Emergency Preparedness if you do not have access to a computer, contact 311 or 240-777-0311 (TTY 240-777-3556).

During emergencies, listen to your radio for Emergency Broadcast System information on WTOP (FM-103.5) and WMAL (AM-630).

www.MontgomeryCountyMD.gov/OEMHS



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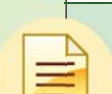



1 Make a Plan

Help your family be ready. Make a Plan by answering the questions below. Check each one off when you have the answer!

Question	Complete
Do we all know when to use 911 and 311?	<input type="checkbox"/>
When disaster strikes our home, like a fire, do we have a meeting place outside of our house? Do we all know our meeting place and to stay there until we all reunite and help arrives?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Where are the emergency exits from our house? Have we practiced crawling (“stay low and go”) to the exits?	<input type="checkbox"/>
If we cannot return home during a disaster, do we have a close-to-home family meeting place inside our neighborhood? Do we all know where it is and how to get there? Do we all know how to be in contact with each other?	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the disaster does not allow us to return to our home or neighborhood, do we have a family meeting place outside of our neighborhood? Do we all know where it is and how to get there?	<input type="checkbox"/>
During disasters, it may be hard to make local calls, but long distance calls may work. Do we have a faraway relative or friend we can call to let them know how we are and to help our family get back together? Name: _____ Phone: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do we know what we will to do with our pets during a disaster?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do we all know what to do, and have we practiced our family disaster plan? Do we each have a copy of the family disaster plan? (See Step 3.)	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 Make a Kit

Make a disaster supply kit for your family to survive for 72 hours. You can use this kit if you have to stay put in your home or have to leave your house before or after a disaster. In the checklist below, mark off each item when you have it in your kit!

Question	Packed
 Do we have enough water? <i>You need 1 gallon of water for each person per day!</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have canned or packaged food that can last without a refrigerator for several days?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have a manual can opener packed?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have clothes and shoes packed for everyone?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have a battery-powered or hand-cranked radio so we can hear the news?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have a flashlight and batteries so we can see when the power is out?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 If I get hurt, do we have a first aid kit?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have a 3-day supply of medications and a list of our doctors and prescriptions?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have the supplies we need to take baths and brush our teeth (soap, toothbrush, tooth-paste, toilet paper, towels, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have copies of important documents (insurance cards, photo IDs, birth certificates, credit/ATM cards) in the kit?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have an extra set of car and house keys?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Do we have the phone numbers of friends or family?	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Did we include books and non-electronic games for everyone in case we stay in a shelter or hotel?	<input type="checkbox"/>

3 Know What to Do - Keep Your Pocket Disaster Plan Handy

Keep this plan with you or somewhere easy to find in case you have to use it!

Your Name
Parent/Guardian’s Name
Parent/Guardian’s Work Address
Parent/Guardian’s Work or Cell Phone Number
Meeting Place Close to Home
Meeting Place Outside our Neighborhood
Faraway Friend/Relative’s Phone Number
Other Important Information (list of medicines, allergies, doctor’s phone number)

Ask your parents if you should share your Family Disaster Plan with your teachers, relatives, and/or close family friends.

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